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Read and Think

Read your issue of *Scholastic News*.

As you read, answer the questions below.



1. Read the first three paragraphs of the article. Then .

What do sea turtles do on the beach?

2. Read "The Poacher Problem." Then .

Why are poachers a problem?

3. Read "Fake Eggs." Then .

What is the InvestEGGator?

4. Read "Stopping Poachers." Then .

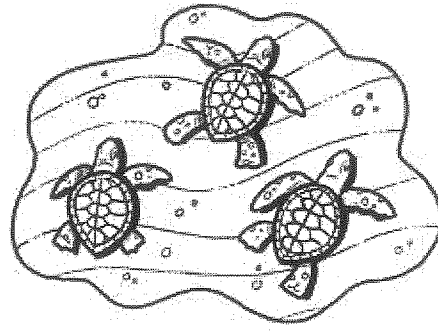
Where does the scientist put the fake egg?

5. What happens when a poacher steals the fake egg?

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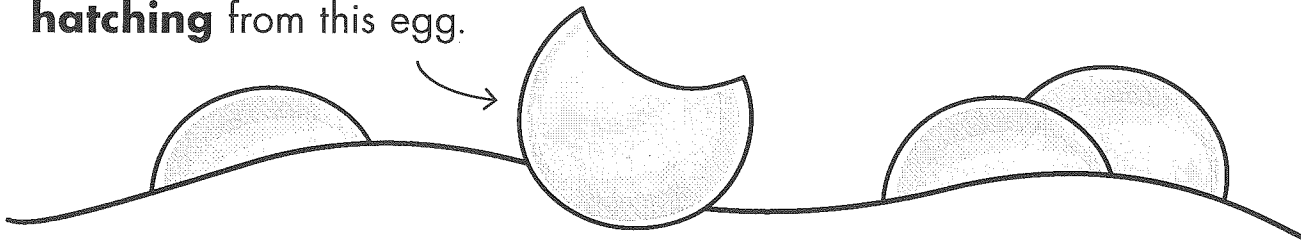
Word Work

Answer the questions about vocabulary words from your issue of *Scholastic News*.



1. What happens when an egg **hatches**?

2. Draw a picture of a sea turtle **hatching** from this egg.



3. What do **poachers** want to do with the sea turtle eggs?

4. The fake egg has a **GPS tracker** inside it. What does the GPS tracker do?

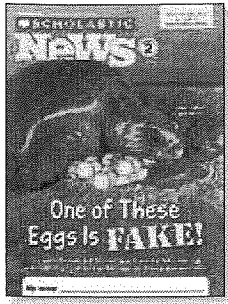
★ Bonus

Could the fake egg with the **GPS tracker** inside it **hatch**? Why or why not?

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Reading Checkpoint:

One of These Eggs Is FAKE!

Fill in each correct answer.

1. Where does the scientist hide the fake egg? [key details]

- (A) in the ocean
- (B) in a hole with real eggs
- (C) in a restaurant

2. Look at the sidebar “How to Make a Fake Egg.” Which of these happens first? [use visuals]

- (A) A scientist glues a GPS tracker inside.
- (B) The scientist puts the fake egg in with real eggs.
- (C) An artist paints the outside white.

3. What information does the caption in the orange box on page 3 tell you? [nonfiction text features]

- (A) Sea turtles can live up to 50 years in the ocean.
- (B) Sea turtles are great swimmers.
- (C) Poachers steal sea turtle eggs.

4. What is the problem in this article? [problem/solution]

- (A) Sea turtle eggs are expensive.
- (B) Poachers steal sea turtle eggs.
- (C) Sea turtle eggs are squishy and bumpy.

5. Why do you think the author wrote this article? [author’s purpose]

- (A) to convince you to protect sea turtles in the ocean
- (B) to tell you information about a way scientists are helping turtles
- (C) to make you think that sea turtles are the best animals

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to

Z

MYSTERIES

Book Title: _____

ACTIVITY PACKET

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About the Author - Ron Roy

Ron Roy was born in Hartford, Connecticut. His parents did not name him Ron Roy. They named him Wallace Ronald Roy. Ron later decided to change his name to Ron Roy.

Ron was shy as a kid, and he loved reading and nature. He was a good speller too! Ron used to win all the spelling bees in school. His favorite teacher, Mr. Hancock, taught him to love books, how to hit a baseball and how to catch fish. Because of Mr. Hancock, Ron Roy decided to be a teacher.

While in college, one of Ron's nicknames was Dink. The character Dink in his A to Z Mysteries series is a lot like Ron. After graduating from college Ron became teacher. While Ron was a fourth grade teacher he started writing children stories. He would send his stories to publishing companies, but no one wanted to buy them. Now most people would give up at this point, not Ron. Each week he'd write a story and send it in, and each week the story came back with a "No, thank you." Finally, four years later, in 1978, Ron sold his first children's book called *A Thousand Pails of Water*. He was so excited! Shortly after that, Ron quit teaching and decided to write full time. He didn't create his A to Z Mysteries until 1997. Ron is very happy that millions of children are reading these books.

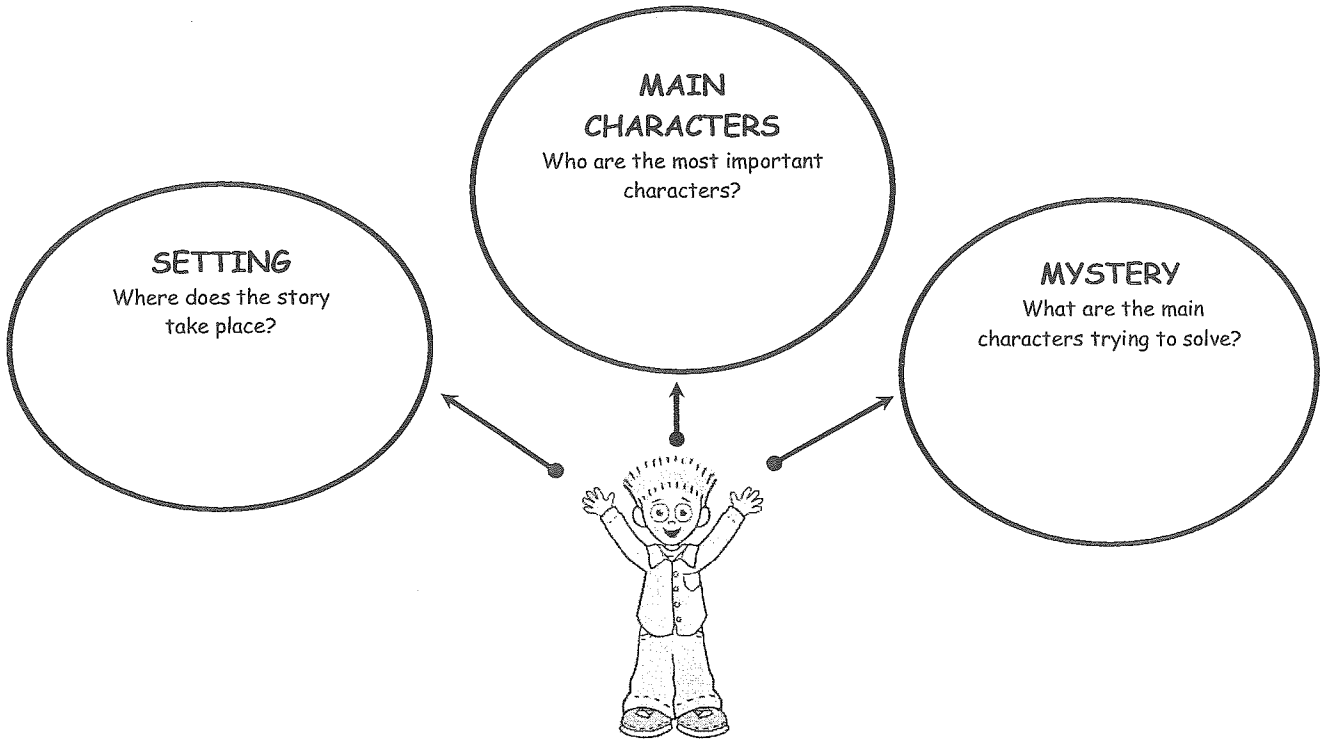
Ron gets his ideas for his books EVERYWHERE! He gets ideas from TV shows, newspapers, books, movies, news on the radio, from trips, from church, from the grocery store and from letters from kids. At the end of many of Ron's books are *Dear Reader* pages sharing where he got his idea for that book.

Ron has a black cat named Cabby who chews on pencil erasers. Ron's favorite author is E. B. White, the author of *Charlotte's Web*.

"I'm totally convinced that I am a writer today because I loved books as a kid."—Ron Roy

Do you have *Dear Reader* pages at the end of your book? If you do, where did Ron Roy get his idea for this book?

Chapter 1

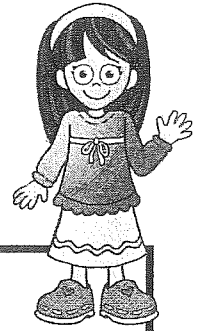


As you are reading this chapter, write 3 words on the lines below you don't know, you like or you think are cool. Next to each word write down what it means, what it made you think of or another word for it (synonym).

Predict what you think will happen in the next chapter. _____

Why are you predicting this? _____

Chapter 3
SEQUENCING



FIRST

NEXT

THEN

AFTER THAT

FINALLY

Chapter 4

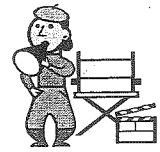
As you read this chapter find 20 important words and write them in the boxes below. Clue: Choose words that have something to do with the mystery that is being solved.

Circle ten of the words that are the most important. In 3 sentences write a summary of the chapter. Be sure to include the ten important words in your summary.

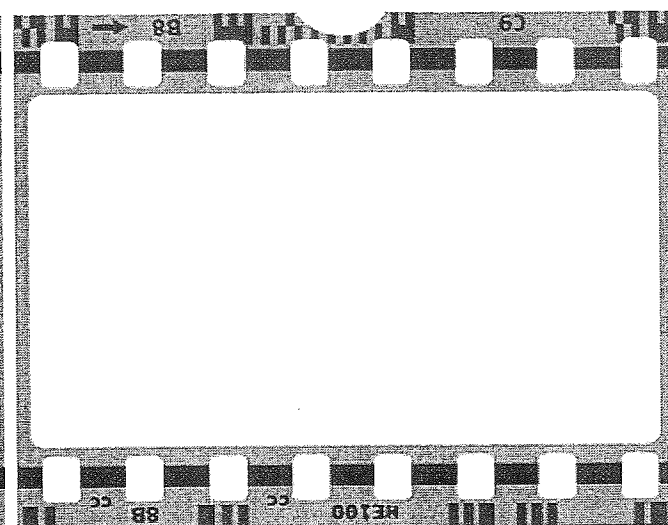
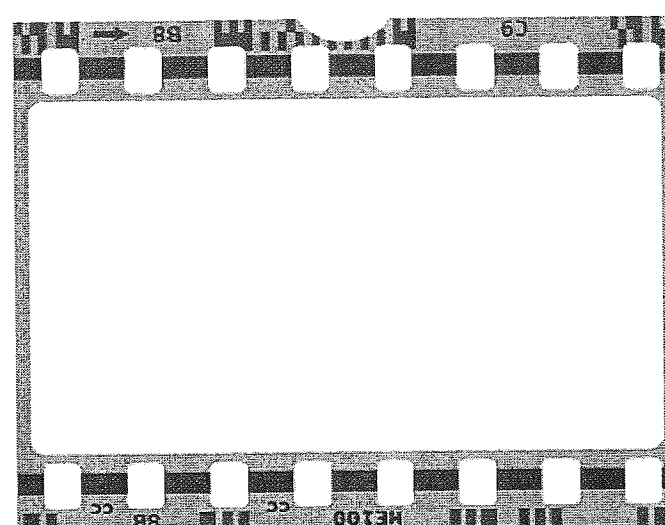
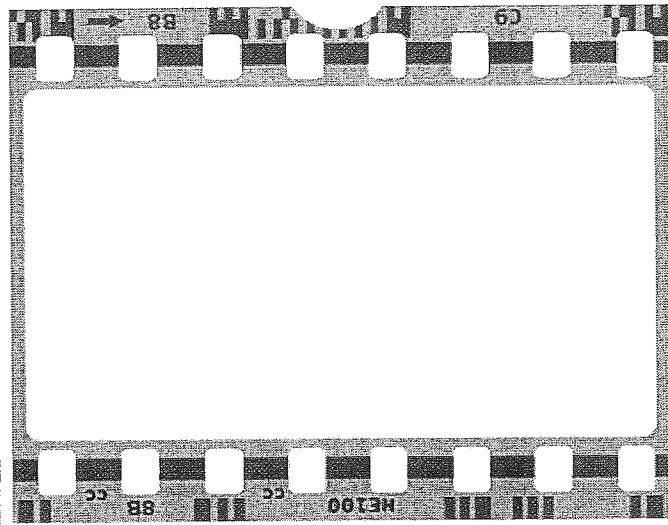
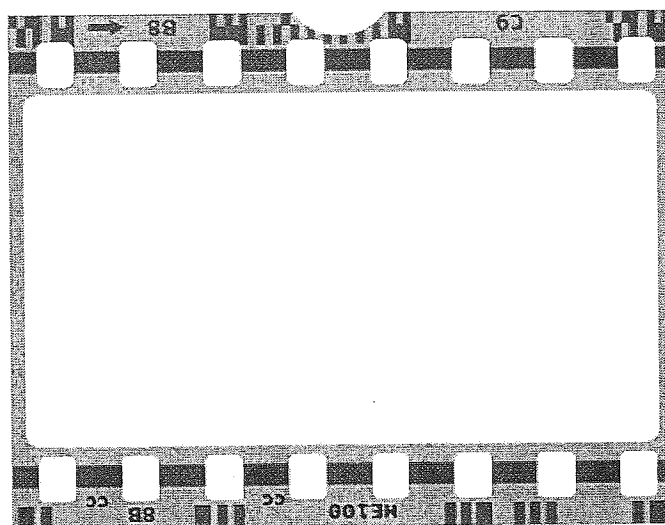
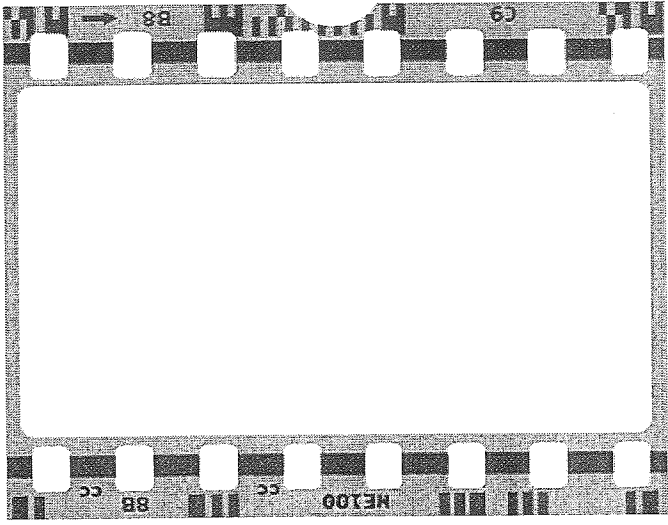
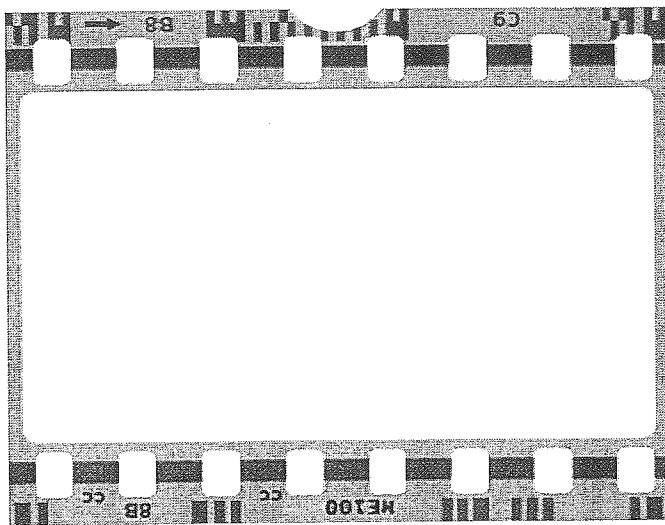
What do you think was the most exciting part in this chapter?

I wonder

Chapter 5



Lights! Camera! Action! Hollywood called and wants to make a movie out of this book. You are asked to create 6 scenes. In each filmstrip section, write a sentence and create an illustration for the most important parts of this chapter. Do your best! This could be a box office hit!





Chapter 6

After reading this chapter, complete the following sentences.

1. I like the way _____

2. I don't like the way _____

3. I was surprised _____

4. I'm not sure _____

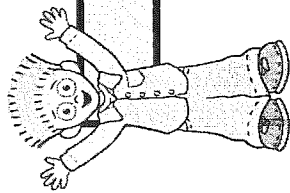
5. I like the way the author _____

6. If I were Dink I would _____

Illustration

Chapter 8

Your special job for this chapter is to think of questions that can be answered with either a "YES" or a "NO".
Write the question in the correct column.



YES

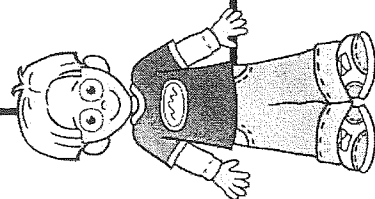
NO

YES	NO

Chapter 9

Oh, oh! Dink, Josh and Ruth Rose are confused and need your help. Before reading this chapter predict what you think will happen in this chapter in the first column. In the second column write clues from the story that helped with your prediction. Then read Chapter 9. Write down what really happened in the story.

What I Think Will Happen	Clues From the Story	What Really Happened



Map Work

Directions: Find the map at the beginning of the book and answer the following questions.

1. Is there a compass rose on this map? _____ If so, describe where is it on the page? _____

2. Find a physical feature that is made up of water and write the name of it on the line. _____
3. Go to the northwest section on the map. Write a name of a place or thing in that section. _____
4. Write the name of a place or thing south of your answer for number 3. _____
5. Does the map have more water or more land? _____
6. Find two animals shown in the map. What are they? _____

7. Why do you think the author included a map in the book? _____

